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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements that were filed on May 26, 2006 and January 14, 2004, Applicant hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner an Japanese Office Action that was mailed on April 3, 2007, with respect to patent family member Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-001197, in which the following documents were cited:

- (1) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2002-283627 A, together with an English language Abstract and an English language partial translation thereof;

- (2) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2001-142770 A, together with an English language Abstract and an English language partial translation thereof;
- (3) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2000-165536 A, together with an English language Abstract and an English language partial translation thereof;
- (4) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2002-518750 A, and patent family members U.S. Patent No. 5,955,719; U.S. Patent No. 6,213,398 and U.S. Patent No. 6,446,871;
- (5) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2002-261680 A, together with an English language Abstract and an English language partial translation thereof;
- (6) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2002-278454 A. Applicant notes that this document was previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 26, 2006;
- (7) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2002-197341 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and
- (8) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2002-197207 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

The relevance of these documents, as ascertained with respect to the Japanese claims by the Japanese Examiner, is set forth in the Japanese Office Action.

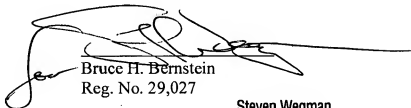
Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of above-noted foreign documents, with the exception of document (6), are attached hereto, and all of the documents are listed on an attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the Japanese Office Action is also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form, and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus, no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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